

TRIB PRESSMAN KILLED — NO MENTION IN THE PAPERS

What is news at the Trib?

Ben Sheinberg, 30 years old, a pressman working for the Chicago Tribune, died last night on the way to the West Side hospital after his skull was crushed open when he fell into a Tribune press.

Sheinberg leaned over the press and an instrument known as a conveyer struck him a smashing blow on the forehead. Before the press could be stopped he was fatally crushed.

The body was removed to his home at 1310 W. Washington blvd. None of the morning papers printed a word about the accident.

GRAND JURY PROBE REACHING OUT TO HIGH OFFICIALS

Grand jury investigations of police department and the City Hall are reaching out among higher officials for testimony. Reports were strong today that Mayor Thompson's office will feel the searchlight of a Hoyne probe.

John M. Kantor, real estate "expert" for the board of local improvements, is to go before the grand jury today. He is said to have accompanied August W. Miller, clerk of the circuit court and former sup't of streets, to office of Mayor Thompson when the mayor was asked for protection of gambling in Lovin' Putty Anixter's cigar store, 1343 S. Kedzie av.

Kantor has been a personal associate of Mayor Thompson, the city executive and the tall, curly-headed real estate "expert" making more speeches together than any pair of spellbinders in the Thompson-Lundin organization.

Tom Costello, one of the Big Four gambling and vice syndicate, told the grand jury a two-hour story yesterday. He is reported to have said August Miller was known as a friend of Anixter and would "see" the City Hall about the running of Lovin' Putty's place.

RETREATING GERMANS LEAVE ONLY DESOLATION BEHIND

With French Armies Advancing

From Roye, March 20.—11½ square miles of territory, burned black and rent with wanton explosions, has been prize wrenched from Germans by French in district from Chaulnes to Oise. It is merely part of vast territory repatriated by French troops after hot pursuit of German retirement that for precipitate haste resembles retreat from the Marne.

Retreating Germans destroyed everything. Roads were dynamited, bridges burned, houses razed, towns destroyed, and where possible, fields were ruined for tilling.

Paris.—"Slight progress" despite bad weather and destruction of all means of communication in Avere-Aisne district.

French troops were in contact with enemy throughout this district. Difficulties of advance are growing. Around Verdun war office reported repulse, with heavy losses to enemy, of German attacks launched several times between Avancourt wood and Hill 304.

Berlin, via Sayville Wireless.—"Heavy losses to our adversaries" detailed in official report as result of several engagements of infantry and cavalry detachments "in district abandoned to occupation by enemy on both sides of the Somme and the Oise."

With the British Armies Afield.—

Historic Peronne is now a heap of rubbish. A deliberate, systematic policy of destructiveness was thoroughly carried out before the Germans abandoned it. The 16th century church, once pride of the town, is in ruins. National monuments were destroyed. Destruction was not work of British or French shells. It was work of Germans, mostly by dynamite.

Berlin.—Purchase by Japan from Portugal of island of Macao reported in Portuguese press.